

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An update monitoring apparatus, comprising:

storing means for storing data indicating at least locations of contents to be monitored and a number of a mobile communication terminal which is informed of update of said contents;

monitoring processing means for monitoring a update state of said contents stored in a prescribed server; and

notifying means for transmitting an update notification signal indicating that said contents have been updated, to said mobile communication terminal over a radio communication circuit network.

2. The update monitoring apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said update notification signal has data indicating at least said locations of said contents.

3. A mobile communication terminal comprising:

radio communication means for connecting by radio to a radio communication circuit network to perform communications;

notifying means for notifying a user with an update notification signal that contents to be monitored, received over said radio communication circuit network, have been updated; and

transmitting means for transmitting an acquisition instructing signal to instruct acquisition of said contents, to a prescribed information processing apparatus.

4. The mobile communication terminal according to Claim 3,  
wherein

said notifying means shows that said contents have been  
updated, on a display screen.

5. The mobile communication terminal according to Claim 3,  
wherein

said acquisition instructing signal has data indicating at  
least locations of said contents.

6. The mobile communication terminal according to Claim 3,  
wherein

said transmitting means transmits said acquisition  
instructing signal to said information processing apparatus by  
radio for short distance.

7. The mobile communication terminal according to Claim 3,  
further comprising

operation inputting means for instructing transmission of  
said acquisition instructing signal.

8. A mobile communication terminal, comprising:

radio communication means for connecting by radio to a radio  
communication circuit network to perform communications;

notifying means for notifying a user with an update notification signal that contents to be monitored, received over said radio communication circuit network, have been updated; and

acquiring means for acquiring said contents stored in a prescribed server based on said update notification signal.

9. The mobile communication terminal according to Claim 8, wherein

said acquiring means acquires said contents stored in said server, over said radio communication circuit network.

10. An information processing apparatus, comprising:

receiving means for receiving an acquisition instructing signal to instruct acquisition of contents which is transmitted from a mobile communication terminal; and

acquiring means for acquiring said contents from a prescribed server based on said acquisition instructing signal.

11. The information processing apparatus according to Claim 10, wherein

said acquiring means connects by radio to a radio communication circuit network via said mobile communication terminal connected by radio for short distance, to acquire said contents from said prescribed server.

12. An update notification system, comprising:

a mobile communication terminal for notifying a user with an update notification signal that contents to be monitored that is received by connecting by radio to a radio communication circuit network, and for transmitting an acquisition instructing signal to instruct acquisition of said contents, to a prescribed information processing apparatus;

an update monitoring apparatus for storing data indicating at least locations of said contents to be monitored and a number of said mobile communication terminal which is informed of update of said contents, and for transmitting said update notification signal to said mobile communication terminal over said radio communication circuit network when said contents stored in a prescribed server is updated; and

an information processing apparatus for receiving said acquisition instructing signal to instruct acquisition of said content, transmitted from said mobile communication terminal, and for acquiring said contents from said prescribed server based on said acquisition instructing signal.

13. An update notification system, comprising:

a mobile communication terminal for notifying a user with an update notification signal that contents to be monitored which is received by connecting by radio to a radio communication circuit network, have been updated, and for acquiring said contents stored

in a prescribed server over said radio communication circuit network; and

an update monitoring apparatus for transmitting said update notification signal to said mobile communication terminal over said radio communication circuit network based on update of said contents stored in said server.

14. A contents acquisition instructing method, comprising:

a receiving step of receiving an update notification signal to make a notice that contents stored in a prescribed server have been updated;

a notifying step of notifying a user with said update notification signal received, that said contents have been updated; and

a transmitting step of transmitting an acquisition instructing signal to instruct acquisition of said contents updated, to a prescribed information processing apparatus.

15. The contents acquisition instructing method, comprising:

a receiving step of receiving an acquisition instruction signal which is transmitted from a prescribed communication terminal in response to an update notification signal to make a notice that contents stored in a prescribed server have been updated; and

a contents acquiring step of acquiring said contents updated

from said server in response to said acquisition instructing signal received.

16. A program storing medium, comprising:

a receiving step of receiving an update notifying signal to make a notice that contents stored in a prescribed server have been updated;

a notifying step of notifying a user with said update notifying signal received that said contents have been updated; and

a transmitting step of transmitting an acquisition instructing signal to instruct acquisition of said contents updated, to a prescribed information processing apparatus.